PARKS LABORER

The City of New Carrollton is seeking a full-time Parks Laborer to join our Public Works Department. This position is under the direct supervision of the Parks Supervisor/Horticulturist. Work assignments for this position are performed primarily outdoors within the City limits. The employee will be exposed to loud noise, machinery with moving parts, dirt, dust, debris, chemicals, and foul odors. Bilingual in Spanish and English is a plus. Starting hourly rate is \$12.55. This is an unskilled, non-commercial driver's license position.

DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES

- Participates in loading, unloading and set up of playground equipment, supplies and /or materials.
- Performs minor construction and repairs on park equipment.
- Maintains playgrounds, parks, fields and other City grounds.
- Operates equipment such as walk behinds, mowers, weed eaters, chainsaws, blowers, trimmers, chippers, post hole diggers and other equipment on flat or uneven terrains.
- Participates in the mowing, seeding, sowing, fertilizing, spreading and grading of turf.
- Cuts brush and weeds alongside highways and right of ways.
- Assists in the planting and pruning of flowers, trees, shrubs, bushes and hedges.
- Performs heavy manual labor for extended periods under all weather conditions frequently lifting objects weighing up to 75 pounds.
- Responsible for ensuring that assigned trucks are properly loaded in accordance with the manufacturer's manual and City's regulations.
- Participates in seasonal leaf collection and snow removal.
- Removes debris and litter from creek.
- Substitutes as a sanitation collector when needed.
- Practices safe work habits; turn on warning lights, wear safety vest, gloves and glasses when exiting the vehicle to remove curbside greenery.
- Performs other duties as assigned; may assist other departments when needed.

SKILLS/QUALIFICATIONS

- Knowledge of safety practices used when working with heavy cutting equipment.
- Ability to understand and follow specific oral and written instructions.
- Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with City officials, staff, residents and the general public.
- Ability to do strenuous manual labor for extended periods of time in various types of weather.

EDUCATION/EXPERIENCE

Must possess a high school diploma or GED. Ability to comprehend the English language including the meaning, spelling of words, rules of composition, and grammar. Any satisfactory combination of experience, education and training which provides the required knowledge, skills and abilities may be deemed acceptable.

